team for discussion with JVP in the Bangalore International Airport Project. Regular interaction is being held with the proposed JVP.

Provision of Collision Warning System in Aircrafts

3822. SHRI P. SOUNDARARAJAN: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have drawn any scheme to equip all the passenger aircrafts with Collision Warning System to avoid mid-air collision;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the number of air misses which have been reported during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHARAD YADAV) : (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Since 1.1.99, it has been made mandatory for all aircraft having seating capacity of more than 30 and all up-weight of more than 5700 kgs. to install Air Collision Avoidance System (ACAS) in the Indian airspace, to reduce the risk of mid-air collision between aircraft. At present, all aeroplanes falling in this category are installed with this System.

(c) Total 9 air misses have been reported during the last 3 years.

Improvement of surveillance System

3823. PROF. M. SANKARALINGAM: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have taken any steps to guard national and international airports of the country from terrorist attacks after the recent incident on Sri Lankan international airports;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government will give special emphasis on satellite-based communication, improving surveillance system in and around the airports; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHARAD YADAV) : (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. All security measures as prescribed by the International Civil Aviation Organisation in Annex-17 to the Convention on Security are strictly followed.

Besides, the following additional steps for ensuring security at airports have also been taken after the recent attack on the international airport at Colombo:

(i) Deployment of Quick Reaction Team at selected airports

(ii) Intensive patrolling inside and outside of the airports

(iii) Surprise checks at certain selected airports

(iv) Review of security arrangements at major airports by a joint team of concerned agencies.

(c) and (d) Airports Authority of India (AAI) has commissioned the project for Dedicated Satellite Communication Network. Primary and Secondary Radars operating at 11 locations give surveillance cover over the Indian landmass. For surveillnance over oceanic airspace, Automatic Dependent surveillance (ADS) has already been installed at Kolkata.

Corruption Charges against Offciating Commercial Directors of Air India at IGI

3824. DR.Y. LAKSHMI PRASAD:

SHRI RUMANDLA RAMACHAND-RAIAH:

Will the Minister of CIVIL, AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Air India's Vigilance Department has taken action against the officiating Commercial Directors at the Indira Gandhi International Airport in view of the corruption charges against them;

(b) if so, what were the main allegations made against these officers;

(c) what was the outcome of the enquiry;

(d) what action has been taken against them; and

(e) what steps are being taken to see that such activities are stopped in future?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHARAD YADAV) : (a) There is no Officiating Commercial Director of Air-India posted at the Indira Gandhi International Airport (IGI). However, the Vigilance Department of Air-India was seized of two complaints against two Commercial Managers posted at IGI Airport namely Capt. A. K. Sharma and Shri C. R. Bakshi.

(b) to (d) The allegation against Capt. Sharma was that he had permitted excess baggage and unauthorisedly accepted the expired ticket and upgraded a